

FAQs - Medical Marijuana – 8-TA-2010

General Information.

Q: Where can I find information about the medical marijuana proposal?

A: On the City's internet page, go to:

<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/codes/zoning/Marijuana>

Hearings.

Q: Where can I find the City Council staff report and other information?

A: The City Council information is posted on-line here:

http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/council/meeting_index/City_Council_Agendas_and_Minutes

The City Council Medical Marijuana Text Amendment case 8-TA-2010 report for January 25, 2011 can be found here: <http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/Asset38534.aspx>

Q: Where can I find the Planning Commission recommendation to the City Council?

A: After the Planning Commission hearing, a marked agenda and minutes are prepared and posted to the City's internet site. In addition, the Planning Commission summarized motion for this topic was documented in a chart which is also posted to the City's internet site. Please find this at:

<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/codes/zoning/Marijuana>

See the "Public Hearings", "Planning Commission" and click on the underlined word "here" for the chart. The minutes can be found at the Planning Commission webpage – click on "Planning Commission" to go there.

Application Processes.

Q: When can I file an application?

A: An application can be filed at any time. The first step in making an application for a location is a pre-application. The following information is for your use in preparing your pre-application submittal. Here is the pre-application form, please review this form and then proceed reading (otherwise this instruction might be confusing)...

<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/Assets/Public+Website/bldgresources/PAQuestionnaire.pdf>

When you come to the One Stop Shop (7447 E. Indian School Road, floor 1) for your records packet information (referred to in the pre-application form) you should be prepared to do two things: (1) obtain your records packet; and (2) submit your pre-application application.

The fees sheet is here, you should bring your fee with your pre-application submittal.

<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/Assets/Public+Website/bldgresources/fees/Application+Fees+07-08-10.pdf> The pre-application is \$85 and the records packet is \$21 these fees are subject to annual review and modification.

After you submit, a pre-application meeting with City staff will be arranged. At the pre-application meeting you will be provided instructions for the formal application process and materials as may be appropriate for your proposal.

Other Questions.

Q: Will all locations require City approval?

A: All locations will require some type of City approval. These approvals may include: zoning, building permits, business license, and sign permits.

Q: Does the city regulate profit vs. non-profit businesses?

A: The City does not regulate whether a business is for-profit or non-profit, please check with the state for those details.

Q: Where can I find a map that shows the zoning districts for the medical marijuana use?

A: All information on the Medical Marijuana topic for the City of Scottsdale can be found at:

<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/codes/zoning/Marijuana>

Please note that each site would need individual distance analysis for the 500-foot buffer requirement. This map also may change as the geographic information shown has a lag period for updates.

Q: The State requires that I submit a statement of zoning compliance with my application materials for a medical marijuana registration certificate. Can the City provide me these items?

A: This information may be available from the One Stop Shop. The City does not provide zoning confirmation letters, you may obtain from records a copy of the zoning approval letter for the site; if your project will be obtaining a Conditional Use Permit then approval documentation would be available after the City Council hearing decision.

Q: How many dispensaries will be allowed in Scottsdale?

A: Right now (January 26, 2011) that is unknown. Some towns and cities have limited the number through their zoning regulations (example: Fountain Hills). If the local community does not provide limitations then the State review of medical marijuana applications for registration certificates would establish the number. The Arizona Medical Marijuana Act (Proposition 203) establishes a ratio of dispensaries state-wide at a rate of 1 dispensary per 10 pharmacies. As of December 2010, the ratio results in 124 dispensaries throughout the state. There have been suggestions that a specific number of dispensaries would be assigned per City, for which the distribution would be based on population, or some other means --- but those details are not yet known.